

Policy: 4073 Procedure: 4073.01

Chapter: Secure Facilities Rule: Juvenile Furlough

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## Purpose:

When established criteria are met, a juvenile assigned to the Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections (ADJC) secure facilities may be granted a temporary furlough (escorted activity) consistent with the Department's Vision, Mission, Values, and Norms, and the juvenile's Continuous Case Plan (CCP). Capital offenders are not eligible for furloughs.

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#### Rules:

### Furlough Criteria:

- a. **ADJC** may grant a furlough to a juvenile for:
  - i. <u>Programming purposes</u>, in order to assist him/her in meeting his/her CCP goals and objectives to include:
    - (1) Work, education, or treatment related functions; and/or
    - (2) Special presentations/events.
  - ii. Scheduled court appearances;
  - iii. Physical/mental health related issues to include:
    - (1) Off-site medical/mental health appointments; and
    - (2) Emergency medical services for the juvenile.
  - iv. Compassionate situations, including:
    - (1) The funeral or hospitalization of a close family member; and
    - (2) Birth of the juvenile's child;
  - v. Transition to community purposes to include:
    - (1) Reunification with family;
    - (2) Visit to a proposed placement; and
    - (3) Obtaining:
      - (a) Clothing and supplies;
      - (b) Social Security Card; and/or
      - (c) Passport.

## 2. Furlough Request And Approval:

- a. A JUVENILE AND/OR AN ADJC EMPLOYEE may initiate a furlough request.
- b. The **REQUESTOR** shall submit Form 4073.01A Juvenile Furlough Request/Approval within ten business days prior to the specified activity except in cases of emergencies or events with tighter time constraints, such as:
  - Funerals;
  - ii. Scheduled court appearances;
  - iii. Off-site medical/mental health appointments; and
  - iv. Emergency medical services for the juvenile.
- c. For Programming, Compassionate, and Transition to the Community Furloughs:
  - i. The YOUTH PROGRAM OFFICER III, CASE MANAGER (YPO III) shall consider the juvenile's classification, programming level, and the matrix below when reviewing a juvenile for possible approval of furlough activities;
  - ii. The JUVENILE'S MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM (MDT) AND THE HOUSING UNIT MANAGER (YPS) shall:
    - (1) Review the request prior to any subsequent review by approving authority(ies);

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- (2) Consider parent/legal guardian's input, if applicable; and
- (3) Recommend approval or denial of the furlough on Form 4073.01A Juvenile Furlough Program and present it to the Superintendent and approving authority, where applicable, for consideration;
- iii. The **SUPERINTENDENT AND APPROVING AUTHORITY AS IDENTIFIED IN THE MATRIX**, where applicable, shall approve or deny the furlough on Form 4073.01A with consideration given to:
  - (1) Established criteria listed in the matrix below;
  - (2) The juvenile's classification and programming level including completion of treatment objectives and status of minimum length of stay.
- iv. When disagreement among approval authorities exists, the SAFE SCHOOLS PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR shall make the final decision regarding furlough approval.

# d. For Medical/Mental Health Furloughs:

- i. The **REQUESTOR** shall:
  - (1) Submit Form 4073.01A Juvenile Furlough Request/Approval to the specified approval authority as soon as possible prior to the furlough;
  - (2) In the case of a medical emergency:
    - (a) Take immediate appropriate action; and
    - (b) Notify the specified approval authority as soon as possible.

#### 3. Length of a Furlough:

- a. The **APPROVAL AUTHORITY** shall:
  - i. Approve:
    - (1) Proposed time frames depending on the circumstances and type of furlough; and
    - (2) Extensions of time frames in the case of unforeseen circumstances.
    - . Ensure all relevant persons are notified of any furlough extensions.

#### 4. Housing Unit Responsibilities:

- a. For all programming and compassionate furloughs, the **YPO III** shall:
  - i. Ensure all approvals, signatures, and notifications are completed prior to a furlough.
    - (1) Verify signatures on the request;
    - (2) Formally notify parent or guardian of the request;
    - (3) Formally notify Victims' Rights of the request;
    - (4) Formally notify Education of the request and projected date of furlough to ensure an excused absence;
    - (5) In all cases, notify the Parole Officer at least 24 hours prior to the furlough or other off-grounds activity if the Parole Officer has not been involved in the planning of the activity;
    - (6) Notify the Security Office and Health Unit at least 48 hours prior to the furlough or other off-grounds activity to complete escape fliers and medication reviews.
  - Inform the juvenile regarding expectations for the furlough or reasons for denial;
  - iii. Ensure that a written furlough plan is completed by the juvenile and MDT which:
    - (1) Has written goals and objectives;
    - (2) Meets established criteria.
  - iv. When appropriate, work with the Parole Officer in the planning of the furlough;
    - (1) The **PAROLE OFFICER** may assist in verifying the need for an emergency furlough or other off-grounds activity.
- b. The **YPS** shall ensure proper inventory and care of the juvenile's personal property during any furlough or other excused absence.

## 5. **Escort Officers:**

- a. The **SECURITY CAPTAIN** shall ensure:
  - i. One or more ADJC employees escort juveniles on furlough and keep juveniles in their sight and immediate proximity at all times except:

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- (1) When the juvenile is on a 72 hour evaluation (unless the hospital requires a 24 hour ADJC security officer); and
- (2) When the court is transporting the juvenile.
- ii. If only one escort officer is assigned, that escort officer shall be of the same sex as the juvenile;
- iii. When possible, the escort officer(s) shall be an employee(s) with whom the juvenile and his/her family has an established relationship;
- iv. Escort officers use the level of restraints indicated on Form 4073.01 Juvenile Furlough Program.

#### b. **ESCORTING OFFICERS/EMPLOYEES** shall:

- i. Take a cell phone with him/her for use during the furlough;
- ii. Take an approved sack meal along for the juvenile if the juvenile would normally be scheduled to eat during the time of the furlough;
- iii. Take a set of mechanical restraints in case they are required during the furlough, in accordance with Procedure 4058.01 Use of Force Continuum;
- iv. If the **ESCORT OFFICER** uses a higher level of restraints to those indicated on Form 4073.01 Juvenile Furlough Program, s/he shall:
  - (1) Notify Adobe Mountain School Control with the:
    - (a) Name of the Officer;
    - (b) Name of the juvenile;
    - (c) Secure school and unit where the juvenile is normally housed.
  - (2) Make further notifications and complete appropriate paperwork in accordance with:
    - (a) Procedure 4058.01 Use of Force;
    - (b) Form 4058.01A Use of Restraints; and/or
    - (c) Procedure 4079.01 Escape and Apprehension of a Juvenile.
- v. If possible, conduct restroom breaks at state or local government facilities such as:
  - (1) Juvenile corrections/detention facilities,
  - (2) Fire stations:
  - (3) Police stations; and
  - (4) ADOT facilities.

#### 6. Furlough Matrix:

Type of Furlough	Furlough Details	Eligibility Criteria	Approval Authority	Restraints
Health – Physical	<ul> <li>Medical or dental services ADJC is obligated to provide but cannot.</li> <li>Emergency procedures.</li> <li>Follow-up for procedures done at an outside facility.</li> </ul>	Any juvenile in need of services described under Furlough Details, Medical – Physical health	Medical Director or designee     Notice to Secure Facility Superintendent	As required on Form 4073.01A Juvenile Furlough Program
Health – Mental	<ul> <li>72 hour evaluations/ civil commitments.</li> <li>Private psychiatric care.</li> <li>Private participation in a psychological evaluation or private psychological/psychiatric treatment.</li> </ul>	Any juvenile in need of services described under Furlough Details, Medical- Mental Health	Clinical Services     Administrator or     designee     Notice to Safe     Schools Program     Administrator,     Secure Facility     Superintendent	As required on Form 4073.01A Juvenile Furlough Program
Compassionate – Family ill	<ul> <li>Parent/legal guardian.</li> <li>Sibling.</li> <li>Grandparent.</li> <li>Extended family member, when appropriate.</li> <li>An emergency in juvenile's family.</li> </ul>	Low risk to abscond	Secure Facility     Superintendent on     the advice of the     MDT     Notice to Safe     Schools Program     Administrator	As required on Form 4073.01A     Juvenile Furlough Program

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Type of Furlough	Furlough Details	Eligibility Criteria	Approval Authority	Restraints
Compassionate – Childbirth	In extraordinary circumstances where a juvenile has been involved with the mother of the child and in preparations for the childbirth.	<ul> <li>Low risk to abscond</li> <li>Age appropriate</li> <li>Attended childbirth preparation classes</li> </ul>	Deputy Director or designee     Girl's parents     Notices to:     Safe Schools Program Administrator, Education Superintendent, and Assistant Director of Programs and Institutions	As required on Form 4073.01A Juvenile Furlough Program
Bereavement	<ul> <li>Parent/legal guardian.</li> <li>Sibling.</li> <li>Grandparent.</li> <li>Extended family member, when appropriate.</li> <li>An emergency in the juvenile's family.</li> </ul>	Low risk to abscond	Secure Facility     Superintendent on     the advice of the     MDT     Notice to Safe     Schools Program     Administrator	As required on Form 4073.01A Juvenile Furlough Program
Court	Whenever the court deems necessary.     In most cases, the court will transport.	Scheduled court appearance	Secure Facility     Superintendent	As required on Form 4073.01A Juvenile Furlough Program
Work – Voc Ed	May go singly or in groups.     For specific Voc Ed handson experiences and/or presentations.	Appropriate Work and Vocational Education Classification     Student priorities based on age and length of stay     GED or High school diploma (not sole criteria)     Attendance     Grades     Behavior     Recommendations from: YPS MDT     EP/Transition needs	Teacher Principal Secure Facility Superintendent Notices to: Safe Schools Program Administrator, Education Superintendent, Assistant Director of Programs and Institutions, Deputy Director	Not eligible if restraints are required
Work – Job Fair	<ul> <li>May go singly or in groups.</li> <li>May or may not be used as an adjunct to a program in which the juvenile is involved.</li> </ul>	Same as Work-Voc Ed	Same as Work-Voc Ed	Not eligible if restraints are required
Work Experience – Job Application	May be used in conjunction with transition to community.	Close to MRD and release     Recommendations from     MDT     Part of CCP	Secure Facility     Superintendent on     the advice of the     MDT     Notice to Safe     Schools Program     Administrator	Not eligible if restraints are required
Work Experience – Special Programs	May go singly or in groups     For specific Voc Ed     experiences.	Same as Work-Voc Ed	Same as Work-Voc     Ed	Not eligible if restraints are required
Education – Applying for school	May be used in conjunction with transition to community.	Same as Work-Voc Ed	Same as Work-Voc Ed	Not eligible if restraints are required
Education – Attending school	May be used in conjunction with transition to community.	Same as Work-Voc Ed	Same as Work-Voc Ed	Not eligible if restraints are required
Education – Transitioning to a community school	May be used in conjunction with transition to community.	Same as Work Experience     Job Application	Same as Work     Experience – Job     Application	Not eligible if restraints are required

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Type of Furlough	Furlough Details	Eligibility Criteria	Approval Authority	Restraints
Supervised special events – Sporting Events	<ul> <li>May go singly or in groups.</li> <li>May be used as a reward or an impetus.</li> </ul>	Same as Work-Voc Ed	Safe Schools     Program     Administrator     Notice to the     Assistant Director     of Programs and     Institutions	Not eligible if restraints are required
Supervised special events – Official events	<ul><li>May go singly or in groups.</li><li>May be used as a reward or an impetus.</li></ul>	Same as Work-Voc Ed	Safe Schools     Program     Administrator     Notice to the     Assistant Director     of Programs and     Institutions	Not eligible if restraints are required
Supervised special events – Conferences	<ul> <li>May go singly or in groups.</li> <li>May be used as a reward or an impetus.</li> </ul>	Same as Work-Voc Ed	Safe Schools     Program     Administrator     Notice to the     Assistant Director     of Programs and     Institutions	Not eligible if restraints are required
Treatment – Therapy	Whenever necessary as in medical furloughs.	Any juvenile in need of services deemed necessary by the secure facility Psychologist	Clinical Services     Administrator     Notice to Safe     Schools Program     Administrator,     Secure Facility     Superintendent	As required on Form 4073.01A Juvenile Furlough Program
Transition to community	<ul> <li>Reunification with family.</li> <li>Visit to a proposed placement.</li> <li>Obtain: <ul> <li>Social Security Card.</li> <li>Clothing and supplies.</li> <li>Passport.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Close to MRD and release     Recommendations from MDT     Part of CCP	Secure Facility     Superintendent on     the advice of MDT     Notice to Safe     Schools Program     Administrator	Not eligible if restraints are required

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